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4. (X) Inventorship:

- () A newly-executed oath or declaration and power of attorney is enclosed (for continuation-in-part applications, or for continuation or divisional applications naming an inventor not named in the prior application) (§1.63(a), (d)(5) and (e)).
- () Because this application is being filed by fewer than all of the inventors named in the prior application, delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(1)(2)):
- (x) The names of persons believed to be the actual inventors are set forth in the enclosed unexecuted oath or declaration and power of attorney (§1.41(a) and §1.53(b)).
- 5. () Assignment(s) of the invention to ______, and cover sheet are enclosed.
 -) A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the fee for recording the assignment(s) is enclosed.
- 6. () The prior application is assigned of record to
- 7. () Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §1.28(a)(2)):
 - () A statement of status as a small entity is enclosed.
 - () A statement of status as a small entity was filed in the prior application, and small entity status is still proper and desired in this new nonprovisional application.
 - () Status as a small entity is no longer claimed.
- 8. () A 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) statement is enclosed (where an assignee seeks to take action in a matter before the Patent Office).
- 9. () A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- 10. () Drawings:
 -) Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May be used only if signed by person authorized by \$1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)

		() New formal drawings are enclosed.									
		() Informal drawings are enclosed.									
11.	(X)	A separate written request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), which is a general authorization to treat any concurrent or future replaced requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.F. §1.136(a) for its timely submission as incorporating a petitic for an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, enclosed.									
12.	()	An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.									
		() A Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.									
		() References (copies) listed on the Form PTO-1449 are enclosed.									
基3.	()	enclosed. A MicroFiche Computer Program (Appendix) is enclosed.									
-14.	. (X) A Return Receipt Postcard is enclosed (MPEP §503).										
₩ ₩15.	()	A Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission is enclosed.									
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i i		() A Statement Verifying Identity of above Copies is enclosed.									
	(X)	Priority of application number <u>GB/9715214.4</u> filed on <u>18 July 1997</u> in <u>Great Britian</u> is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.									
		() The certified copy of the priority document has been filed in prior application number, filed									
		() . A certified copy of the priority document is enclosed.									
17.	(X)	Power of Attorney:									
	()	The power of attorney in the prior application is to:									
		FITCH, EVEN, TABIN, & FLANNERY Suite 1600 120 South LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois 60603-3406 and other members of the firm.									
		() Customer Number 22242.									
	()	The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.									
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		• () Independent Claims 3 = x \$ 78.00 = \$	
		• () Total Claims 20 = x \$ 18.00 = \$	
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20.		A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.	
21. 22.	(X)	The payment of the Filing Fee is to be deferred until to Declaration is filed. Do not charge our Deposit Account.	h∈
22.	(X)	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which m be required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and are not pa herewith, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Numb 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed.	ic
23.		Also enclosed:	



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